

Studies in First Corinthians

NT Survey Lesson 95--1 Corinthians 9

Introduction: In our last lesson, Paul warned that Christians should never use their liberty to bring harm to their brethren. Now Paul gives a personal example. Though he had the right to receive it, Paul refrained from accepting support from the Corinthians.

Lesson aim: To teach the need to support those who preach the truth.

Paul shows he did not use the right of preachers to be supported--1 Cor. 9:1-18

1. What four things did Paul indicate about himself by his questions in verse one?
2. Who was the seal of Paul's apostleship?
3. What did Paul say he had the right to do in verses 4-5?
4. What preachers had used their right to be supported?
5. Which of these workers received repayment or rewards in return for their work?: a. the soldier; b. the owner of a vineyard; c. a keeper of sheep; d. all of these.
6. What O.T. verse shows that God intends for those who work to be paid by those they serve?
7. If a preacher sows spiritual things in people he teaches, he may reap _____ things from them also.
8. Why did Paul and Barnabas not use their right to be supported?
9. What provisions did God make for priests in the O.T.?
10. The _____ ordained that those who preach the gospel _____ of the gospel.

11. What was Paul's reward? (v. 18)

Paul's principles of conduct toward others--1 Cor. 9:20-23

1. What had Paul made himself to all men?
2. "I became _____ to all men that I may by all means _____ some".

Paul's describes his own way of life--1 Cor. 9:24-27

1. When a race is run, how many win?
2. How should Christians run the Christian race?
3. Those who compete in the games use _____ in all things.
4. What is the reward of those who compete in games?
5. Did Paul run without aim?
6. What did Paul say he buffeted? What did he make of it? Why?